

collector comprising a block of compressed mesh material different from said first mesh material and having a surface to which scale is attracted.

Amend the claims as follows:

2. (Four Times Amended) A filter for use in a water heating vessel according to Claim 15, wherein the scale collector is supported by a carrier member on the frame of the filter.

6. (Thrice Amended) A filter for use in a water heating vessel according to Claim 3 wherein the carrier member is situated on a part of the frame away from said first mesh material.

9. (Four Times Amended) A filter for use in a water heating vessel according to Claim 15, wherein the scale collector is carried on the frame towards an end thereof which in use in a water heating vessel is closest to the bottom of the vessel.

10. (Four Times Amended) A water heating vessel including a filter according to Claim 15 removably mounted within the vessel and extending over a water outlet of the vessel.